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TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, CA

SUBJ: MANITOBA PREMIER WILL STAY IF RE-ELECTED

1. MANITOBA PREMIER ED SCHREYER HAS SAID HE WILL SERVE A FULL TERM IF HIS NDP GOVERNMENT IS RETURNED TO OFFICE IN THE NEXT PROVINCIAL ELECTION. STATEMENT WAS MADE APRIL 24 IN RESPONSE TO INCREASING SPECULATION THAT HE WOULD JOIN THE TRUDEAU GOVERNMENT.
2. MR. SCHREYER ACKNOWLEDGED HE HAS HAD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES ABOUT A HIGH LEVEL, NON-CABINET ENERGY JOB, BUT ASSURED A LOCAL CONSTITUENCY MEETING THAT "NO MATTER HOW GREAT THE TEMPTATION", HE WOULD NOT JOIN THE FEDERAL CABINET.
3. RUMORS OF POSSIBLE SHIFT BY SCHREYER GAINED MOMENTUM WHEN PM RECENTLY TOLD REPORTERS HE HAD TALKED TO SCHREYER ABOUT ACCEPTING A POSITION WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THIS FOLLOWS ON SERIES OF REPORTS OVER PAST YEAR THAT HE WAS CONSIDERING LEAVING MANITOBA POLITICS FOR FIRST A UNITED NATIONS POST, AND LATER FOR HEAD OF NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, AND EVEN AS MINISTER OF FINANCE WHEN JOHN TURNER QUIT.
4. COMMENT: WITH PROVINCIAL ELECTION EXPECTED IN JUNE OR THE FALL, AND NDP HOPES FOR RETURNING TO POWER HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON SCHREYER'S GREAT POPULARITY, THE PREMIER IS OBVIOUSLY TRYING

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TO QUASH SPECULATION HE WOULD LEAD HIS PARTY INTO THE ELECTION, AND THEN HEAD FOR OTTAWA. ALTHOUGH SCHREYER HAS TRIED TO MAKE IT "PRETTY DAMN PLAIN" HE ISN'T GOING TO OTTAWA, WE DOUBT WHETHER THE PRESS OR POLITICAL OPPONENTS WILL LET THIS RUMOR GO AWAY.  
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